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Beware
the Stingray
"SNAP"

ALL NEW!!

HYDRONAUTS

STINGRAYS

I MUST GET
MY COLD CLAMMY
HANDS ON THAT
CRYSTAL!!

HA, NOT
IF I CAN HELP IT,
YOU SLIMY
STINGRAY!

CRYSTAL MYSTERY CONTEST
see page 18

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PossiBuildities

ALL NEW

HYDRONAUTS



Discover

#6110
Solo Sub



This souped-up Solo Sub squeezes into the narrowest caves searching for crystals.



CRYSTAL MINER



NAVIGATOR HIP "MUDDY" WADERS

COCKPIT ROTATES AND COMES OFF TO ZIP IN AND OUT OF TIGHT SPOTS.

#6150 CRYSTAL DETECTOR

Patrol the ocean floor for rare crystals. Then stash them in the ship's secret storage box in back to keep them safe from sneaky Stingrays.



REAL COMPASS POINTS THE RIGHT WAY THROUGH TWISTING CAVES.

COOL CLAW SNAPS UP CRYSTALS BEFORE STINGRAYS CAN GET THEM.

SUPER SUCTION HOSE LIFTS CRYSTAL BOX.

CHECK OUT THE #6199 HYDRO CRYSTALATION STATION ON PAGE 10

CAPTAIN HANK HYDRO

As the Hydronaut's Captain, most of Hank's ideas have become great crystal mining gadgets.

#6180 HYDRO SEARCH SUB

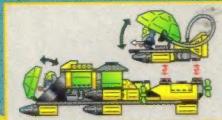
Unlock the power of the crystals with this sub's sensational science lab. The Stingrays better watch their tail. This sub's loaded with searchlights, harpoons and a hydro jail.



GOTCHA!

STINGRAYS BEWARE OF THE HIGH TECH, HYDRO JAIL.

MAGNETS QUICKLY RELEASE MINI SUB FOR QUICK GETAWAY.



HEAVY DUTY SEARCHLIGHT.

SUCTION HOSES REEL IN CRYSTAL CONTAINERS

Danger in the Deep!



STINGRAYS

Red eyes glow in the black water. A creature quickly snatches a crystal and disappears into the ooze. The villainous creature is a Stingray! Once related to the Hydronauts, the Stingrays were never good at building things. So to survive, they took on the characteristics of fish and breathe through the bone in their helmet.

#6107 RECON RAY



COMMANDER MANTA RAY

As leader of the Stingrays, Manta is the sneakiest of the sneaky crystal stealers. Manta's secret of sneakiness—be quiet, blend in, and don't wear floppy flippers.



NAVIGATOR STINGER RAY

Stinger is the group's navigator, but the Stingrays don't even have a compass. So sometimes Stinger has to leave a trail of clam shells to find his way.



RAVEN RAY

Raven comes up with the best ideas for raiding crystals. But the other Stingrays have to rescue him when he goes off on adventures by himself.

EXTRA LONG
GRABBER
HOSES
SNATCH
CRYSTALS
BEFORE THE
SNEAKY
STORMER
CAN BE
SEEN.



#6198 STINGRAY STORMER

This scary looking, sneaky, stingray-shaped ship is the slickest submarine the Stingrays have. Just like a real stingray, the Stormer's tail is a swinging stinging weapon. The ship's defenses also include harpoons and searchlights. Inside the Stormer, the Stingrays study crystals in the ship's science lab.



TWO MINI SUBS
SNEAK AWAY FOR
SNEAKY SPY
MISSIONS.



MORE OF
US ON NEXT
PAGE!

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ALL NEW STINGRAYS

I TOLD YOU THERE WERE MORE OF US!

EASILY SNAG HIDDEN CRYSTALS WITH THIS HANDY HOSE.

IT ALWAYS POINTS NORTH

CONTEST CLUE

COMBINE FRONT COCKPIT AND REAR PROPELLER TO MAKE A SUPER SPY SUB.



RAVEN RAY

RAVEN RAY CAN PILOT HIS OWN SHIP WITH TWO CRYSTAL-GRABBING ARMS, SPINNING PROPELLERS, AND HARPOONS!

SEARCHLIGHTS ADJUST TO SWEEP THE SEA FLOOR

WITH THE SUPER-SIZED CLAW, I CAN GRAB A FISTFUL OF CRYSTALS!

Giant Claw Arm Opens and Closes

Giant Claw Opens and Closes like a Huge Tooth-filled Mouth (Just Push the Arrow).

COMMANDER MANTA RAY

**#6160
SEA SCORPION**

NAVIGATOR STINGER RAY

As dangerous as a scorpion's tail, this deep-sea vessel carries a sting of its own with pinching claws and harpoons.

FROM CLAW TO TAIL,
THE SCORPION MEASURES
14 1/2 INCHES LONG!

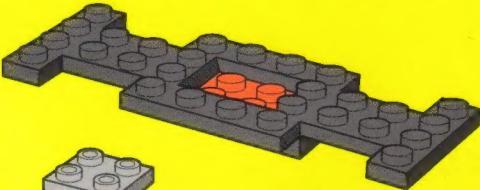
For Kids
By Kids

You Can **BUILD THIS...**

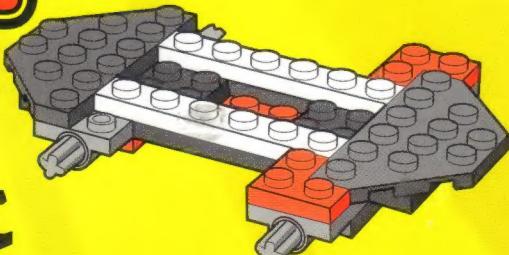


Sea Stinger

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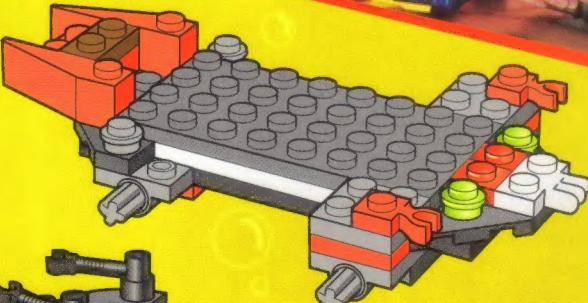


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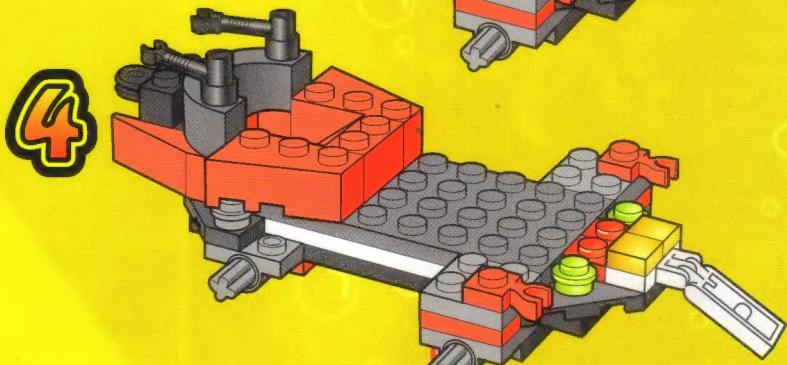


Or ... Create your own
like Club Member, Jed Rendleman,
Age 8 of Oregon! Our model
designers added some wheels to
Jed's awesome design.

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#6589 Radical Racer

Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can find all the pieces you need to build the Sea Stinger in #6109 Sea Creeper and #6589 Radical Racer.

#6109 Sea Creeper



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EXPLORING CAVES

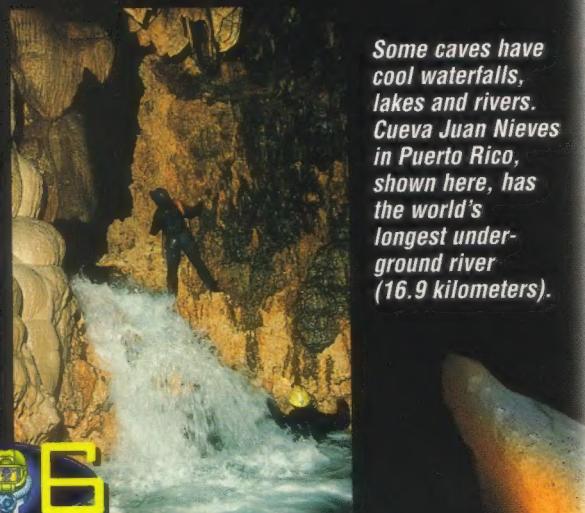


Most caves are formed by water that soaks through the ground and drips on the rocks underneath. It takes thousands of years for this dripping water to carve out a cave.

Some of the world's best crystals and minerals are found in caves. The cave shown here is Lechuguilla (lech-oo-gee-ah) Cave near Carlsbad, New Mexico. The room shown here is called the Chandlier Ball Room because of the large, beautiful gypsum crystals that hang down. The entrance to this cave was found in 1986, and it has 98 miles of maze passages!



Some caves have cool waterfalls, lakes and rivers. Cueva Juan Nieves in Puerto Rico, shown here, has the world's longest underground river (16.9 kilometers).



Feature Story

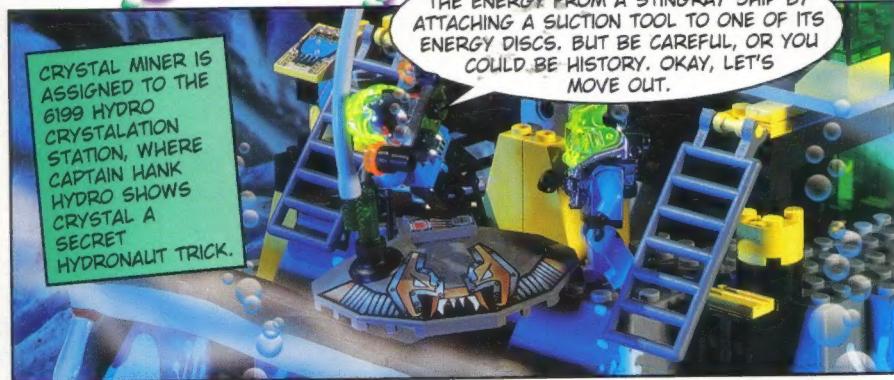
DEEP IN THE

DANGER ZONE!



WE SHARE
THE SAME
NAME
**CONTEST
CLUE**

YOU CAN DRAIN ALL
THE ENERGY FROM A STINGRAY SHIP BY
ATTACHING A SLICTION TOOL TO ONE OF ITS
ENERGY DISCS. BUT BE CAREFUL, OR YOU
COULD BE HISTORY. OKAY, LET'S
MOVE OUT.



CRYSTAL MINER IS
ASSIGNED TO THE
6199 HYDRO
CRYSTALATION
STATION, WHERE
CAPTAIN HANK
HYDRO SHOWS
CRYSTAL A
SECRET
HYDRONAUT TRICK.

NAVIGATOR HIP "MUDGY" WADERS PREPARES THE CRYSTALATION STATION'S DEFENSES AS CRYSTAL LOADS UP A 6180 HYDRO SEARCH SUB.



THE
TRAPDOOR
IS READY, AND THE
STINGRAY TRAP IS
SET. LOWER THE
BARS,
MR. WADERS.

AYE, AYE,
CAPTAIN.

THE HYDRO SEARCH SUB SETS OUT ON A CRYSTAL FINDING MISSION.



GO AHEAD,
CRYSTAL. LET'S
SEE WHAT THEY
TAUGHT YOU IN
SUB DRIVING
CLASS.

LOOK OUT,
STINGRAYS,
HERE I COME!

CRYSTAL SEES A BLIP ON THE HYDRO RADAR AND PREPARES TO FIRE THE SUB'S HARPOONS.



IT'S
A
STINGRAY!

EASY, CRYSTAL.
IT'S A REAL STINGRAY,
NOT ONE OF THE BAD
GUYS.

CRYSTAL MINER SPOTS A LARGE, STRANGE-LOOKING CRYSTAL; PUTS IT IN A CRYSTAL BOX, AND ATTACHES THE SUB'S SUCTION HOSE TO THE BOX.

SUDDENLY, THE 6198 STINGRAY STORMER SNEAKS UP AND GRABS THE HYDRO SEARCH SUB. CRYSTAL SWIMS SWIFTLY TOWARD THE STORMER TO DRAIN ITS POWER, BUT IT'S TOO LATE!



THE HYDRO SEARCH SUB CRACKS FROM THE PRESSURE OF THE STORMER'S SQUEEZE, JUST AS CAPTAIN HANK HYDRO ESCAPES IN THE SEARCH SUB'S MINI-SUB.



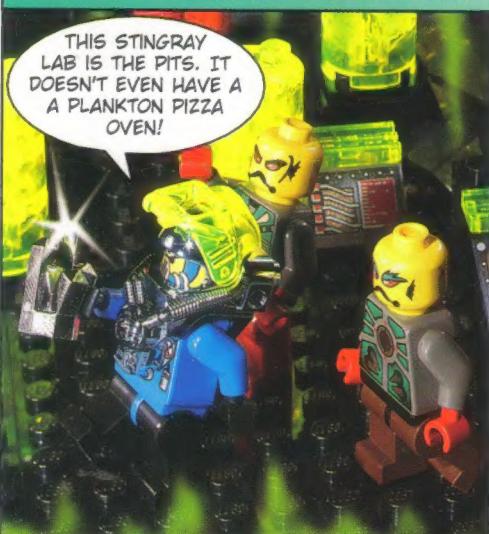
THE STINGRAY STORMER GRABS CRYSTAL!



CRYSTAL FINDS HERSELF TRAPPED INSIDE THE ENEMY'S SHIP. (BUT, LUCKILY, CRYSTAL STILL HOLDS A SUCTION TOOL.)



CRYSTAL STANDS BEFORE THE STINGRAY COMMANDER, MANTA RAY. HE ORDERS NAVIGATOR STINGER RAY TO TAKE CRYSTAL TO THE LAB AND ANALYZE THE STRANGE CRYSTAL.

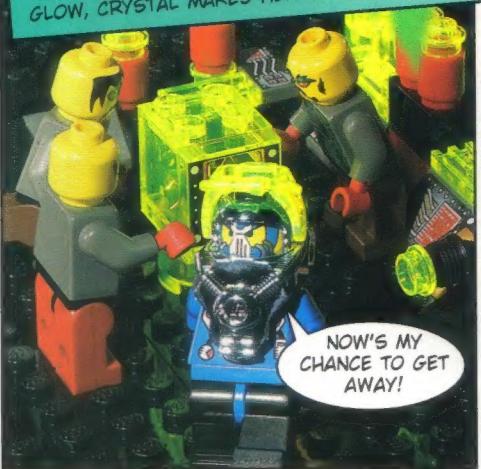


USING THE CRYSTALATION STATION'S EXPEDITION VESSEL, CAPTAIN HANK HYDRO AND MUDDY WADERS SET OUT TO SAVE THEIR FRIEND.

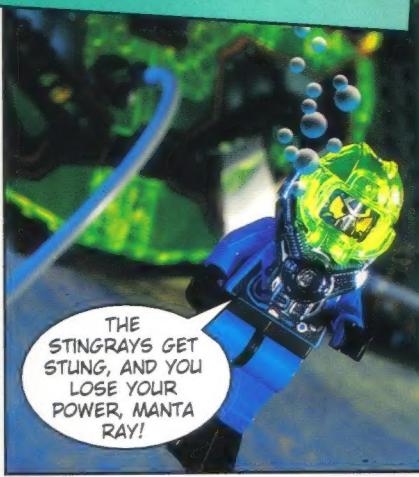




CRYSTAL HEARS THE STINGRAYS' PLANS AND PLANS AN ESCAPE. SHE PUTS THE STRANGE CRYSTAL UNDER THE LAB'S ANALYZER RAY, AND THE CRYSTAL BEGINS TO GLOW. WHILE THE EXCITED STINGRAYS CROWD AROUND THE GLOW, CRYSTAL MAKES HER BREAK.



SHE QUICKLY FINDS HER SUCTION TOOL, AND DRAINS THE SUB'S POWER. BUT THE STORMER STARTS TO SHAKE AND GLOW.



STINGRAY RAVEN RAY DECIDES TO GO AFTER THE CRYSTALS IN 6107 RECON RAY. MUDDY WADERS PULLS THE CORD TO OPEN THE STATION'S DOOR, AND RAVEN DRIVES RIGHT IN!



AS THE STRANGE CRYSTAL GLOWS, THINGS START TO HAPPEN. SEARCHLIGHTS GO ON, FISH ACT STRANGE, AND THE EARTH QUAKE. THE HYDRONAUTS HANG ON, AND BEFORE THE QUAKING CAN CAUSE MORE DAMAGE, THEY CALL FOR THE LEGO MANIAC!



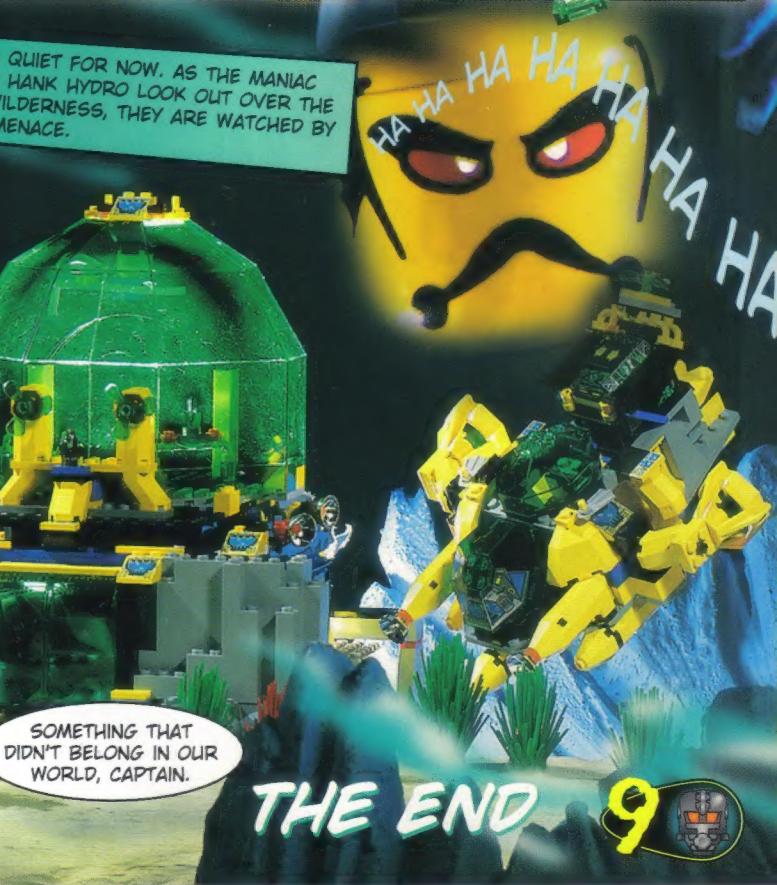
ONCE THE CRYSTAL IS GONE, RAVEN RAY AND STINGER RAY ARE LOCKED UP IN THE CRYSTALATION STATION'S PRISON, BUT MANTA RAY ESCAPES IN THE BIG SHAKEUP.



THE ZONE'S QUIET NOW, MANIAC. WHAT WAS THAT CRYSTAL?

STOP COMPLAINING RAVEN, OR YOU'LL HAVE TO CLEAN OUT THE SHARK CAGE.

THE ZONE IS QUIET FOR NOW. AS THE MANIAC AND CAPTAIN HANK HYDRO LOOK OUT OVER THE AN UNSEEN MENACE.



THE END

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Hydro Crystallation Station

#6199

FREE
BONUS
"Pull out"
Poster

HYDRONAUTS

CLUB
MEMBER
REVIEW

William Anderegg,
Age 11 of Colorado

EXPEDITION VESSEL
PATROLS THE
DANGEROUS DEEP.

REAR COMPARTMENT
OPENS TO HOLD
CRYSTALS AND
STINGRAYS!

"Hydro Crystallation Station is the coolest creation"

"I love this set. There's so much stuff with it that you can play for hours," says William. "The flexible hose with the suction cup is really neat. I use the suction hose to pick up crystal boxes and move them into the Crystallation Station. You can also use the suction hose to catch and stop those sneaky Stingray ships as they swim past."

"The station is full of cool things. You pull a pin in the back, a trapdoor opens, and a Stingray falls into the dungeon. And by pulling a string in front, a door opens, and the stingray prisoner can escape. There's a landing pad in back for small ships, and the big expedition ship is one of my favorite things. It can explore, go on crystal finding missions, and protect the station. The three underwater animals are fun too!"

FISHING FOR STINGRAYS?
PULL THE LINE TO POP
OPEN THE DOOR AND SEE
WHAT SWIMS IN OR OUT.

SUPER SUCTION
HOSE EASILY HOISTS
CRYSTAL BOXES.



DOCK THE EXPEDITION
VESSEL AT BACK OF
STATION.



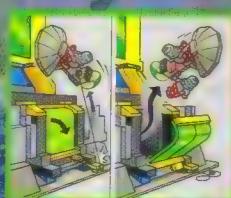
REAR COMPARTMENT SLIDES ALONG
CONVEYOR TO UNLOAD CRYSTALS AND
THE STINGRAY PRISONER.



PULL THE PIN TO DROP
THE STINGRAY INTO THE
UNDERWATER PRISON.

STURDY BARRED DOOR
KEEPS OUT DANGEROUS
SEA CREATURES INCLUDING
STINGRAYS.

WATCH OUT FOR JAIL
BREAKERS! SNEAKY
STINGRAYS CAN POP OPEN
THE JAIL AND HELP THEIR
FRIENDS ESCAPE.



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age and model name on the back of each
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so take an extra photo for yourself!



LEGO Camera
Paul Ostermann
Age 9 of Hawaii

I HOPE
THERE AREN'T
ANY ICEBERGS
AROUND!



S.S. LEGO
John Lindsay
Age 9 of Pennsylvania



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Monorail Station
Larry Sills
Age 15 of Pennsylvania



Beast-A-Tron
Cody Liles
Age 12 of Iowa

MY MODEL
STANDS 3'8" AND
HAS MANY HIDDEN
COMPARTMENTS.



Alien Starfighter
Tony Blake
Age 12 of California



Sheriff's Department
Nate Cox
of Virginia

Constructing the Deep Sea Lab
Michael Selep
Age 7 of California



Heli Trailer
Michael Evitt
Age 10 of Oregon



LEGO Adventure
David Collette
of Massachusetts



Rescue Hang Glider
Ryan Dudgeon
Age 12 of Iowa



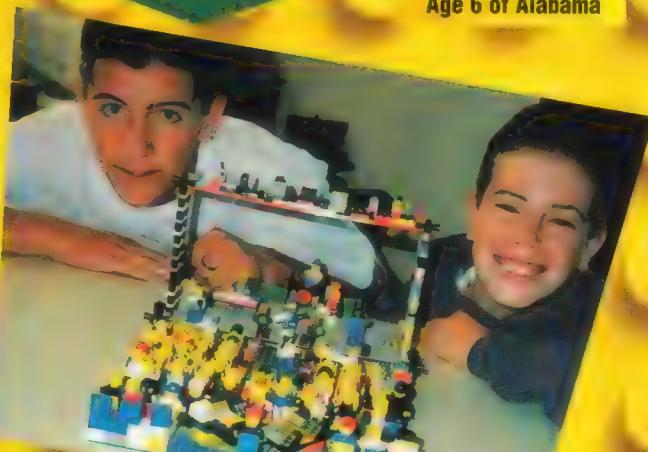
Deep Sea Rover
Brett Jones
Age 6 of Alabama



The Wind Racer
John Henderson
Age 11 of Virginia



Battle Walker
Robert Mayer
of Michigan



Rock Concert
Daniel and Nathan
Swartzendruber
Ages 16 and 10 of California



Guitar
Allison Roche
Age 8 of Massachusetts



Alien Mother Ship
Michael Boland
Age 7 of California

Snow Fooling Contest Winners

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Chloe Hadley, Georgia
Bobby Silio, Massachusetts
Fernita Grody, California
Cody Eagle, Tennessee
Brandon Parker, Colorado

Tristan York, Michigan
Andrew Watson, Nevada
Robbie Myhra, Minnesota
Becky Sullivan, Kansas
Candy Allott, Alabama

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WHAT'S
EVERYONE
DOING UPSIDE
DOWN?

POLICE

What's What

It's Spring...

#6332
Command Post
Central

HEY!
JAILBREAK JOE
IS LOOSE!

STOP
POLICE!

WHERE'S
THAT MEOWING
COMING FROM?

THIS
HAT FEELS
FUNNY

I SMELL
PEPPERONI

#6324
Chopper Cop

YOU NEED
THIS FOR DIVING
AND FOR
HALLOWEEN

CONTEST
CLUE

IS THAT
MY WHEEL?

MY ROTOR
SOUNDS
FUNNY!

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Wrong with this town?

...and after that long winter, everyone in Town is out. The 6426 Super Cycles roar down the road, and 6327 Turbo Champs cruise the beach. But people are too busy enjoying the beautiful weather to notice all the strange things happening. To get things cleaned up, the 6332 Command Post Central swings into action. Police cars hit the highways, and the 6328 Helicopter Transport launches its police helicopter as a high-flying eye-in-the-sky. You can help the police by circling 12 things wrong in the Town scene. (The answers are at the bottom of the page).



ANSWERS

1. A helicopter flying upside-down.

2. Jailbreak Joe chases a policeman.

3. A lifeguard sits backwards.

4. A helicopter has a tire on top instead of a flag.

5. A tree is on top of someone's head.

6. A tree is upside-down.

7. A 6426 truck with a windshield.

8. A policeman is sitting backwards.
9. Flapjacks have a tire on top instead of a flag.

10. Police officer wears a chef's hat instead of a rotor.

11. A 6426 Super Cycle with a pizza box instead of a dish.

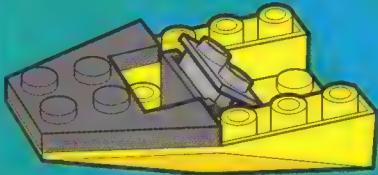
12. A policeman talks into a megaphone backwards.



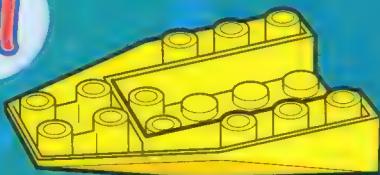
YOU CAN BUILD THIS..

Jet Ski TEAM

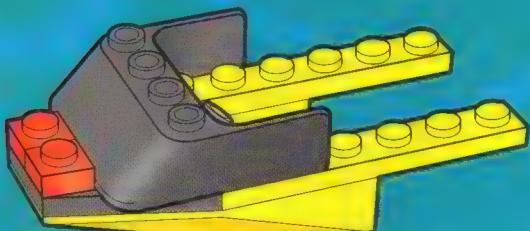
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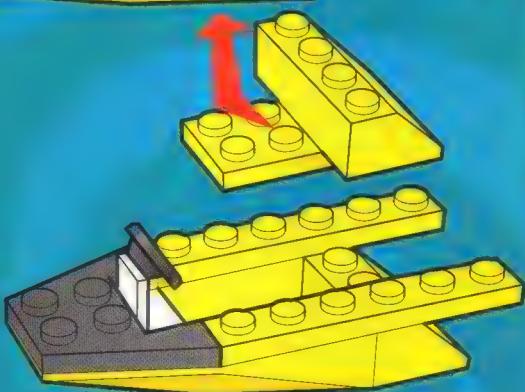
B1



A2



B2



Use pieces from your own LEGO collection or you can find all the pieces you need to build the Jet Ski in #6451 River Response.

A3



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B3



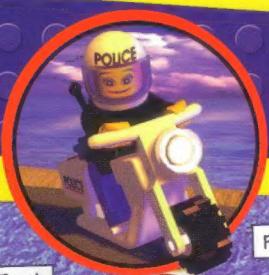
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PRY OPEN A CRYSTAL BOX

AND PICK UP A PRIZE!

The Hydronauts have hidden their most valuable crystal in a crystal storage box somewhere in the magazine. But to keep it safe from those sneaky crystal-stealing Stingrays, they've scattered other crystal boxes throughout the magazine.

Your job, crystal detectives, is to find the crystal and identify what page each hidden item is on. Good hunting, Hydronauts!

Just fill in the
contest entry form.
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#6199 Hydro Crystalation Station

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Crystal _____	Page # _____
Octopus _____	Harpoon _____
Hose _____	Compass _____
Pizza _____	Mask _____
Name: _____	
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**Hey
Kids!**

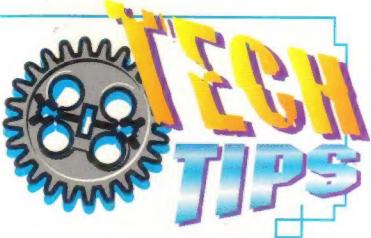
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AN URGENT RESCUE CALL COMES IN FOR THE RES Q TEAM BUT THEIR VEHICLES GET BOGGED DOWN. MUD MASHER TO THE RESCUE!





Sneak Preview

CAN YOU KEEP UP WITH THE EXTREME TEAM!

Hey, Maniacs, it's time for the #6584 Extreme Team Challenge. See if you can follow this radical daredevil from START to FINISH.

SEE YOU NEXT ISSUE FOR SOME EXTREME FUN!

HANG AROUND. THE FINISH IS A REAL CLIFF-HANGER!

Zing'a

WHEN IT'S TIME FOR A QUICK REST, THE X TENT IS THE BEST!

MY MONSTER TRUCK IS SO FUN, IT'S SCARY!

Finish

Avalanch!

Ice

OVER ICE AND SNOW, THE WIND RACER CAN REALLY GO!

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Wind Runners

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